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Tabulation on Unconventional Flying Object Sighted Near Baku

1. Attached are two copies of our summary and tabulation of subject sighting. Per our recent telephone conversation the attachments are for your transmittal to the intelligence components of the Departments of the Air Force and Army.

2. For your information a third copy has been sent to

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**SIGHTING OF UNCONVENTIONAL FLYING OBJECT
NEAR BAKU, USSR ON 4 OCTOBER 1955**

1. Attached is a tabulation of the statements made by each member of the party relative to the unidentified flying object sighted by them on 4 October 1955 while on the train from Baku to Tiflis.
2. The tabulation has been held for some time awaiting answers to questions by Source 3 which have just been received and incorporated in the chart.
3. From observation of the chart it is apparent that due to darkness and the short duration of the sighting, the observers were unable to distinguish sufficient details to properly describe the object.

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	SOURCE 1	SOURCE 2	SOURCE 3	SOURCE 4
TIME OF SIGHTING	1 1/2 hours out of Baku	1910	1910	1910
VISIBILITY	After Dark	Lights were on in train, not yet completely dark, sky was clear.	Dark but clear	Enough daylight to see a form
DURATION OF SIGHTING	- - - - -	6 - 7 seconds	90 seconds, about 5 seconds on ground	very short
LOCATION	1 1/2 hours by rail from Baku	10 minutes by rail from ATJATY	50 - 60 miles south of Baku	10 minutes by rail from ATJATY
DIRECTION FROM RAIL LINE	South of rail line	South of rail line	Left of rail line	South of rail line
DISTANCE FROM RAIL LINE	Not possible to estimate distance	Not possible to estimate distance	2 miles	1 - 2 miles
OTHER OBJECTS OBSERVED	Searchlight	Searchlight, horizon	Large airfield, steel tower, hangars, several searchlights Caspian Sea still visible	Two searchlights
SHAPE OF OBJECT	Ball	Round or square, may have had stub wings	Triangular with point to rear	Round like a partially inflated balloon
SIZE OF OBJECT	May have been small as rocket	1/3 size of searchlight visible to the left	about the size of US jet fighter	about the size of US jet fighter
MOTION OF OBJECT	Rotated slowly as it rose	Rotation not seen	made three to seven spirals	Rotated slowly
LIGHTS ON OBJECT	None seen	Two stationary lights like eyes	Three, one on each point of the triangle, lights were red and green	2 lights on top, lights on periphery that rotated
TAKE-OFF	Not seen	Not seen	Launched like a missile	Not seen

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PATH OF OBJECT	Rising rapidly at a steep angle, did not level out	ascended to altitude then moved horizontally	moved rapidly upward at 45°	ascended to altitude and moved horizontally
SPEED OF OBJECT	Climbed rapidly	Not unusually high	climbed fast	faster than a jet
COLOR OF OBJECT	Greenish-yellow	dark object	too dark to see Color	shadowy
ALTITUDE	- - - - -	- - - - -	high	ascended to 6000 feet
SPARKS, FLAME OR SMOKE	None	- - - - -	some flame to rear	sparks or flame came out bottom as object ascended
NOISE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
SEARCHLIGHTS	Did not follow Object	Did not follow the Object	Searchlights followed object all the way	No association of searchlights and object
WHEN STEWARD PULLED SHADE	10 minutes after object disappeared	5 - 10 minutes after object disappeared	while still watching the object	after sighting object
DID SIZE OF OBJECT CHANGE AS IT CLIMBED	- - - - -	- - - - -	No impression of Change	No Change